

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 31, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In contrast, the sheet loader 9A ~~loader 9~~ in accordance with the present invention has, as shown in Fig. 18B, an H-shaped body 90 analogous to that of the conventional sheet loader 9A. The body 90 has an extension 94. Four predetermined portions of the body 90 are bent at right angles to form lift guides 91. Each lift guide 91 consists of a first guide 911 and a second guide 912. A guide groove 92 that receives the side pin 83 described in conjunction with Fig. 16A and Fig. 16B is formed between the first guide 911 and second guide 912. The side of the first guide 911 defining the guide groove 92 is perpendicular to the body 90. In this example, the distal end of the side of the first guide 911 defining the guide groove 92 is shaped like eaves. The side of the second guide 912 defining the guide groove 92 is an inclined plane 93 meeting the body 90 at 45°. The 45°-inclined plane 93 is formed on the side of the sheet loader comparable to the insertion port for an optical disk cartridge.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 23, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The body 90 of the sheet loader 9 has a bracket 98 ~~bracket 91~~ formed near the border between the body 90 and extension 94. A tension spring 96 is

attached to the bracket 97. The tension spring 96 is laid between the sheet loader 9 and the chassis 50. Furthermore, the distal portion of the extension 94 is formed as an engagement portion that is engaged with the timing arm as described later. The engagement portion 95 to be engaged with the timing arm is coupled to the ejection motor 68 shown in Fig 15.